



PROBUS CLUB OF ELTHAM NORTH.

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NEWSLETTER – JULY 2026.

**Next General Meeting: Thursday 2nd JULY 2026.
10.30 AM at GREENSBOROUGH RSL.**

OFFICE BEARERS



President:

Ross



Secretary:

Dianne



Treasurer:

Paul

“PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE”

Welcome to our July Newsletter.

Our July meeting will once again feature a Mix and Mingle seating arrangement. Upon arrival, each member will be allocated a table to sit at for the meeting.

This is a great opportunity to meet and get to know newer members, renew acquaintances with members you may not have spoken with for a while, and enjoy the fellowship that is such an important part of our Club. It also encourages interaction with members you do not normally sit with, helping to strengthen friendships across the Club.

We encourage everyone to embrace the spirit of the day and enjoy the opportunity to connect with fellow members.

As we move into the middle of winter, it is pleasing to see that our club continues to enjoy strong attendance and enthusiastic participation in the many activities and events on offer. The cooler weather has certainly not dampened the spirit of our members.

We were delighted to induct a new member in June. On behalf of everyone, I warmly welcome Jan to our club. I am sure you will enjoy the friendship, fellowship, and wide range of activities that make our club such a rewarding organisation to be part of.

June was another successful month for our club. Our regular meetings, walks, lunches, outings, and special activities continue to provide wonderful opportunities for members to connect, share experiences, and enjoy each other's company. It is always encouraging to see members catching up, sharing stories, and welcoming new faces to our activities.

A highlight of our June meeting was the presentation by our guest speaker and member, Neil P, who entertained and informed us with his talk on Spain. Neil's experiences, observations, and humour provided a fascinating insight into life in another part of the world. Thank you, Neil, for sharing your story with us.

As we look ahead, July promises to be another busy and enjoyable month. I encourage all members to take advantage of the activities planned by our hard-working Activities Team. Whether it is a walk, trip, lunch, or one of our special outings, there is something for everyone. Participation is what makes our club vibrant, welcoming, and successful.

I would also like to thank our committee members, activity coordinators, and volunteers who contribute so much of their time and effort behind the scenes. Their dedication ensures that our club continues to thrive and provide enjoyable experiences for all members.

To those members who may be unwell or unable to attend our activities, we send our best wishes and hope to see you back with us soon.

Thank you all for your ongoing support and friendship.

Stay warm, stay safe, and enjoy all that our club has to offer.

Regards Ross.

JUDY'S CROCHET RUGS.

Judy would appreciate any donations of wool to enable her to keep making the rugs which are regularly donated to charity.

ATTENDANCE FOR JUNE.

Members: 80 Attendance: 54 Apologies: 21 Visitors: 4.

Please – If you are unable to attend the General Meeting, make sure an apology is noted by our door keepers Betty M, Diane O, or our Secretary Dianne L.

DOOR KEEPERS FOR 2026.

Betty M and Diane O.

JULY MORNING TEA HELPERS.

The morning tea Helpers for this month are Nola and Graham.

CONVENOR: Diane O.

WELFARE OFFICER.

Please let Faye or Nola know if you are aware of an illness being experienced by any of our members.

TRADESPERSON REGISTER:

Frank. Need a tradie? Frank has details of member recommended tradespeople available. Contact Frank as above for more information.

JULY BIRTHDAYS, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO. IAN, COLIN, PAUL, JULIE G. JILL, ERNIE, DIANE S. KATHY SCOTT.

TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT TABLE.

If you have anything you no longer need and feel someone else may be able to make use of the item, please bring it along and place it on the table.

So – clean out your cupboards and let's all enjoy the give and take!

Convenor: Betty L.

A Special Cheerio: To all those who haven't been well lately. We're thinking of you and hope that you'll feel much better soon.

Unwell or in need of a "Cheerio"? please contact: Faye or Nola.

Nola's Garden Tips.

YOUR GARDEN IN JULY.

Begin planting seeds in punnets for planting in late August/September (early spring). Succession plant winter seedlings so that they will provide spring vegetables.

Plant seeds in punnets in a greenhouse

cucumber, pumpkin, onions, tomatoes and zucchini

Plant seedlings into soil

broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower, Florence fennel, kale, kohlrabi, lettuce, rocket, other salad greens, silverbeet and spinach

Plant seeds direct into the soil

Asian greens, beetroot, mustard greens, parsnip, peas, radish, rocket, turnip and herbs including coriander, chervil and parsley

Netting

Use exclusion netting on Asian greens, broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, kale, kohlrabi and turnip.

Succession planting

Plant seedlings every few weeks so that they will not all be ready for harvest at the same time.

Watering

Water soil (not leaves) deeply at least twice per week. (Rainfall less than 10mm per day does not count).

Install dripline if possible.

SERENDIPITY

One night I was *channel surfing* and eventually found SBS Channel 3 "Every Family Has a Secret " hosted by Noni Hazelhurst. I had missed the beginning of the program but there were two people trying to find information on their fathers. Elizabeth Brierley, a lady from Perth was trying to find her biological father. Her mother Louise had worked in a brothel run by Shirley Finn, brothel-keeper, night-club operator, who was murdered in 1975. The murder is still unsolved.

Following up with DNA evidence it was discovered that Elizabeth's father was Harold Macnamara - who had taken up with Louise while in West Australia. Elizabeth was shown a photo of Harold and told that he had a son who was willing to meet her. This immediately rang a bell with me - and when his birth & death dates were mentioned, I consulted my family tree computer program and indeed there he was - my Second cousin, once removed. I had a photo very like the one shown on the program.

Ray Macnamara did meet with Elizabeth and apparently, they are keeping in touch.

Serendipity – Co-incidence - call it whatever – I’m one happy “genie”..

Graham and I recently attended a Banyule Community Safety evening and received Information (courtesy of Banyule City Council Community Safety booklet) which we thought was worthwhile sharing.

Quick Reference Summary.

Situation.	Action.	Number / Method.
Break in happening right now.	000	Triple zero - emergency.
Assault / fight in progress.	000	Triple zero - emergency.
Armed persons. (Machete, weapons).	000	Triple zero - emergency.
Dirt bikes – immediate public danger.	000	Triple zero - emergency.
Car stolen – just happened, offender present.	000	Triple zero - emergency.
Suspicious person no immediate threat.	131 444	Police assistance line.
Crime happened offender has left.	131 444	Police assistance line.
Home invasion discovered after.	131 444	Police assistance line.
Noise complaint.	131 444	Police assistance line.
Car broken into overnight.	131 444	Police assistance line.
Theft discovered after the fact.	Online or 131 444	Police.vic.gov.au
Graffiti – property damage after.	Online or 131 444	Police assistance line.
Dirt bikes – no immediate danger.	Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000
Anonymous tip / info on offenders.	Crime Stoppers	1800 333 000

This guide is produced for the Banyule community. In any life-threatening situation, always call 000 first. Banyule Council 9490 4222 communitysafety@banyule.cic.gov.au Police assistance line. 131 444. Crime stoppers 1800 333 000. Emergency 000.

Meeting Sign-In Reminder – July General Meeting.

To help our meeting run smoothly, please report to the registration desk at the entrance to the meeting room when you arrive at our July General Meeting.

This is a very important process, as we need to know exactly who is attending the meeting. Our door Keepers do a wonderful job, but it can become overwhelming when many members approach the desk at the same time to sign in.

To avoid confusion and delays, we ask that members approach the desk **two at a time** and clearly state their name to the door keepers on duty.

We have also noticed that some members have been entering the meeting room without signing in and then returning later to do so. This makes it more difficult for our door Keepers to maintain an accurate attendance record.

Please ensure you sign in before entering the meeting room. Your cooperation will help make the registration process quicker, more efficient, and less stressful for our door keepers.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

A Small Reminder About Morning Tea

We are very fortunate that the **RSL generously provides our morning tea**, including biscuits, free of charge.

We have been running out of Biscuits.

To ensure there are enough for everyone to enjoy, we ask members to please be mindful when taking biscuits. If everyone takes a reasonable amount, there will be plenty to go around.

Thank you for your consideration and for helping make morning tea enjoyable for all.

JULY SPEAKER. . Our guest speaker in July will be **Lisa Du, Director of Ready Tech Go**. Lisa will present a fascinating talk on **Technology Tips and Tricks**, sharing practical advice to help us get the most out of our everyday technology. Her presentation will cover useful techniques, shortcuts, and solutions to common technology challenges, making it relevant for users of all experience levels. This promises to be an informative and engaging session, and we look forward to welcoming Lisa to our club.

SNOOKER, BILLIARDS, DARTS.

DATE: 8th – 22nd July 2026.

TIME: 10 AM to 12 Noon.

VENUE: Greensborough R.S.L.

Please place your name on the list on the

Convenor: Winston.



GAMES GROUP 2026.

JULY: TUESDAY GAMES DAY.

Date: 14th – 28th July 2026.

Venue: Meeting Room, Eltham CFA, 909 Main Road, Eltham.
(Enter via the side door).

Parking: There is 3 hour parking across the road and up the hill from the CFA and also in the lower car park at Coles Supermarket.

Time: 10.00AM to 12.00PM

Cost: No Cost.

Lunch: If you wish to have Lunch, there are several Restaurants in Main Street.

Convenor: Neil and Christine.

JULY : SECOND WEDNESDAY OUTING.

Note Third Thursday outing Changed to Second Wednesday.

DATE: 8TH July 2026.

TIME: 10.30am.

Activity: Morning Melodies, Elvis Christmas. At Eltham Montmorency RSL.
16 Mountain View Road Montmorency.

Cost: \$30.00 PP. Two course meal plus entertainment.

Convenor: Julie S.

SCENIC WALK.

JULY: Note: Walk will be held on the Third Thursday this month.

Date: 16th JULY 2026.

Meet: Heide Museum of Modern Art Car Park, 7 Templestowe Road Bulleen.

Time: 10.30 for 11.00 AM start.

Walk: Gardens and trails around Museum.

B.Y.O. Morning tea. Don't forget your Hat and Water.

Lunch: The Museum Café.

Convenor: Stephen



JULY : FOURTH THURSDAY ACTIVITY.

DATE: 23rd July 2026.

TIME: 12.00 pm.

VENUE: Diamond Creek Hotel 29 Main Hurstbridge Road Diamond Creek.

Activity: Lunch.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR NAME ON THE LIST ON THE REAR TABLE –
WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE SOME NEW MEMBERS AT OUR GATHERING.

Convenors: Rae. Betty L. Giselle.

JULY : FIFTH THURSDAY ACTIVITY.

DATE: 30th July 2026.

TIME: 10.30 AM..

VENUE: The Johnston collection 192 Wellington Parade East Melbourne.

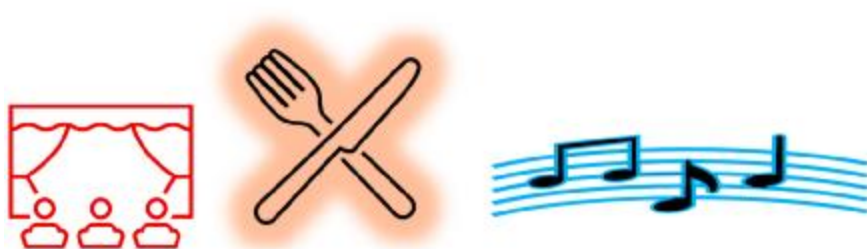
Activity: Tour of the Johnston Collection. A Museum of fine and decorative arts.
Travel by train to Jolimont, bus pick up at the Pullman Hotel drop off at Johnston Collection. **Maximum 22 people.**

Lunch: TBA

Convenor: Julie S.

Local Theatre and Concert Events 2026

. Looking for something to do on a Sunday. Lunch with Probus Friends then enjoy Theatre or Concert Event.



Get ready for an exciting line-up of local theatre and concert events coming your way in 2026. Throughout the year, venues across our area will host a diverse range of performances, from classic dramas and vibrant live concerts by local artists. , there's something for everyone to enjoy. Here's a roundup of upcoming local theatre and concert events to add to your calendar. Any Local Theatre or Concert Events information or payments please contact

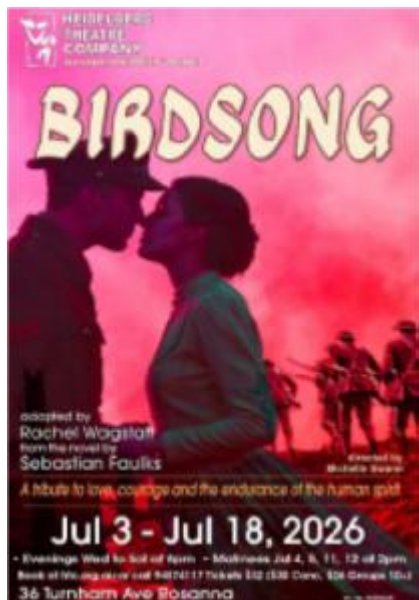
Kathy.

Theatre Performances

Heidelberg Theatre Company (In 74th Year of productions)

36 Turnham Avenue Our third play for this year is Birdsong
Rosanna. (Opposite The Rosanna Railway Station)

Sunday 12th July at 2.00 pm. Lunch at 12.00pm at Hunters Lane Café, 76 Turnham Avenue Rosanna



ABOUT THE PLAY

Utterly raw, emotional and powerful, *Birdsong* is a beautiful and haunting story about one man's journey through an all-consuming, illicit love affair and into the horror of the First World War.

Set alternately between the Battle of the Somme and the French village of Amiens, the play ebbs and flows between tender love story, the-warming heart camaraderie of the soldiers and the harsh Realities of war once seen never forgotten.

Legends of Brass \$35.50PP

List at July Meeting. This is a very busy popular event.

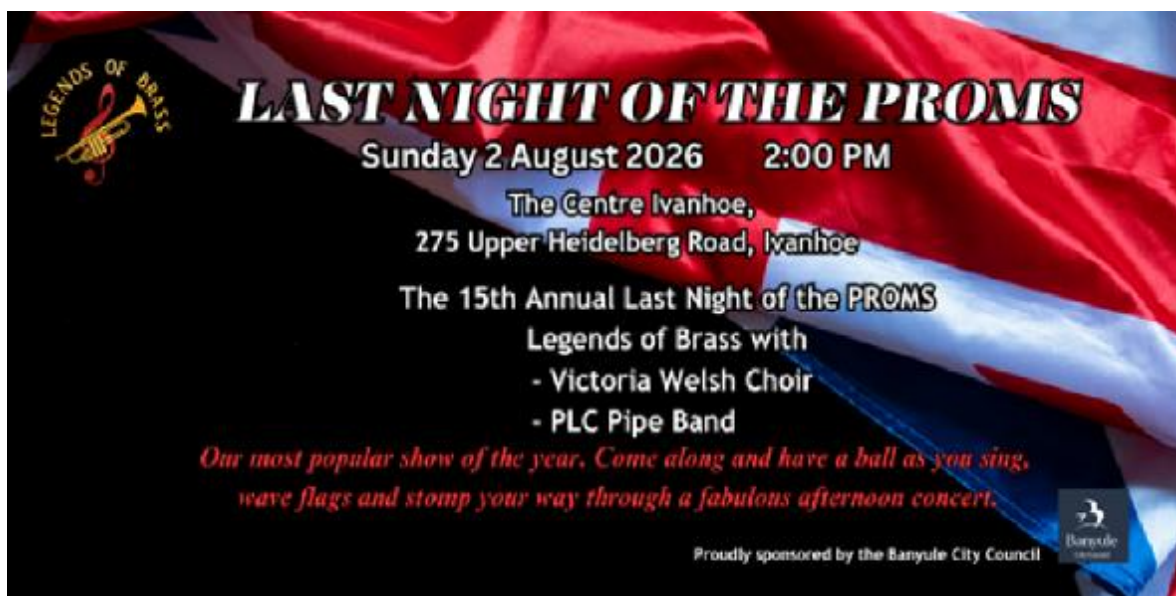
Lunch at Laurent Bakery 139 Upper Heidelberg Road Ivanhoe. 12.00pm

Laurent is a cashless business so card only.

My suggestion is that to park our cars at the Town Hall before lunch walk down to the bakery.

Parking is always difficult as the event is very popular.

Please tick your intention to join us for lunch on the list at the General Meeting.



ELTHAM CONCERT BAND



Eltham Community and Reception Centre
Lunch at Eltham Hotel 12.30pm before the show.

Sunday 18th October 2.30 PM.

Price \$16.50pp concession. Wonderful uplifting music and enjoyable afternoon tea after the concert.

Local Theatre Convenor: Kathy.



CITY THEATRE.

Pretty Woman, July 29th 2026 Regent Theatre Show

Booking agents have allocated us brilliant seats.

I have tickets for Pretty Woman, please collect from me at

July General meeting.

Catherine C.



September 2nd Six Wives of Henry V111, Comedy Theatre, 1pm show. Tickets \$80

Money due my account Thursday June 25th

List on rear Table.

THE NEIL DIAMOND MUSICAL A BEAUTIFUL NOISE

September 16th, 2026, Neil Diamond Musical.

Princess Theatre, 1pm Show, **\$90.00 Money due 10 July.**

List now closed for Neil Diamond.

Thankyou 🙏🏻 Regards Catherine 🌸

Convenor: Catherine C.

`My Fair Lady Wednesday 2nd December 2pm show, tickets \$70 expressions of interest waiting list , as all tickets went the same day.

Nola has the list if anyone is interested, I will see what I can do when I get home.



Monday December 7th

Christmas Melodies.

Hamer Hall, 1pm show, list now closed.

I have tickets for Morning Melodies please collect from me at the July General Meeting.

Lunch list Young and Jacksons Y or N on rear table July Meeting.

Convenor: Catherine C.



Her Majesty's Theatre
Fiddler on the Roof.
November 18th 2026.
Ticket and booking fee \$90
(group) Normal price \$149
Money in my account by
7th October.
Convenor: C.



Princess Theatre Mrs Doubtfire.
February 24th 2027. Tickets \$90
1 pm Show Money due 1st January 2027

Convenor: Catherine C.

Teacher: "Kids, what does the chicken give you?" Student: "Meat!" Teacher: "Very good! Now what does the pig give you?" Student: "Bacon!" Teacher: "Great! And what does the fat cow give you?" Student: "Homework!"

A child asked his mother, "How were people born?" So his mother said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his father, asked him the same question and he told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his mother and said, "You lied to me!" His mother replied, "No, your dad was talking about his side of the family."

Activity Calendar

JULY. 2nd July General meeting at Greensborough RSL. 8th Snooker billiards and Darts. 8th Morning Melodies Christmas in July at Montmorency RSL. 12th Heidelberg Theatre Company production of Birdsong. 14th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 16th Walk and Lunch, 22nd Snooker billiards and Darts. 23rd Fourth Thursday Lunch. 28th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 29th City Theatre, Pretty Woman. 30th Fifth Thursday activity, The Johnston Collection 31st Committee meeting.	AUGUST. 2nd Last night at the Proms. 5th Snooker billiards and Darts. 6th General meeting at Greensborough RSL. 11th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 13th Walk and Lunch, 19th Snooker billiards and Darts. 20th Third Thursday activity. 25th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 27th Fourth Thursday Lunch. 28th Committee meeting.
SEPTEMBER. 2nd City Theatre the musical production of Six 2nd Snooker billiards and Darts. 10th Walk and Lunch, 3rd General meeting at Greensborough RSL. 8th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 10th Walk and Lunch, 16th Snooker billiards and Darts. 16th City theatre a Beautiful Noise. 17th Third Thursday activity. 22nd Games Day at Eltham CFA. 24th Fourth Thursday Lunch. 25th Committee meeting. 30th Snooker billiards and Darts.	OCTOBER. 1st General meeting at Greensborough RSL. 6th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 8th Walk and Lunch, 14th Snooker billiards and Darts. 15th Third Thursday activity. 20th Games Day at Eltham CFA. 22nd Fourth Thursday Lunch 28th Snooker billiards and Darts. 29th Fifth Thursday activity. 30th Committee meeting.

Probus Bank details

[Account name: Probus Club of Eltham North Inc.](#)

DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 2026 NEWSLETTER.

Friday 17th JULY 2026.

TO

Ross.

NEXT MEETING: 10.00am Thursday 2nd July 2026.

At the Greensborough R.S.L.

IN FRIENDSHIP, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN.

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New Member Jan.

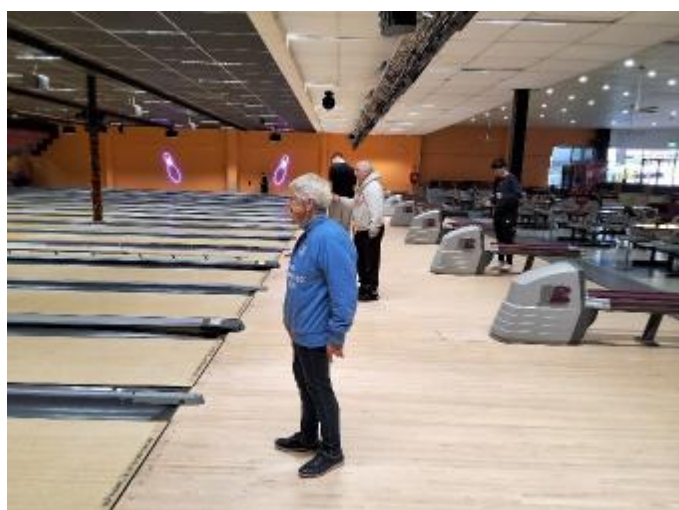


Neil's riveting talk on Spain.





Ten Pin Bowling our third Thursday activity for June.





Checking the scores



The cheer squad.



Lunch at Urban Groove.